THE CHOICE OF A POPE.

THE FORMAL METHOD IN WHICH

THE ELECTION IS MADE.

With Great Secrecy the Cardinals Pre-

KNOWN AS A DESERTER.

Max Muller, of Philadelphia, Has Been Unjustly Marked for Thirty Years.

James Rankin Young, of Philadelphia, in-James Rankin Young, of Philadelphia, introduced a bill for the relief of Max Mulling Them Over the Chalice,

Proclaim Their Oath.

From the Chieago Post.

In view of the advanced age and long portificate of Leo XIII., some account of the method by which his successor will be chosen, aithough it is hoped that that that event may be in the very distant future, will be found interesting.

The meeting of the cardinals held for purposes of election are known as "conclaves" from the fact that they are held behind locked doors—in fact, behind quadruply locked doors—for there are two locks on the outside which are fastened by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside, which are locked by the camerlengo of the Range Colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside. The colonna or a Chigi, and two on the inside. The colonnal or the Range Co



CARDINALS VOTING FOR A PAPAL CANDIDATE.

the election was held by the presbyterium, or council of the bishops of Rome, out of which the College of Cardinals has grown, while the clergy generally, and even the laity, had a voice in the proceedings. It was not even necessary that the clerk to be elected pope be in holy orders. John XIX., and Adrian V. were laymen; Leo X., was only a deacon, and in the present century, Gregory XVI. was only a priest. But after his election the pope is given the various orders, and should it be necessary to consecrate him as bishop, the bishop of Ostia, who is always dean of the College of Cardinals, is the consecrator.

As now constituted, the College of Cardinals consists of six cardinal bishops, who preside over the suburbican Roman sees; fifty cardinal priests, who are the heads of Roman parishes and congregations; and fourteen cardinal deacons, who are in charge of the hospitals and their dependent oratories.

charge of the hospitals and their dependent oratories.

The total membership of the college, when complete, is, therefore, seventy. The cardinals may also be laymen, although at the present time all are in priests orders at least. Cardinal Henry Stuart, who called himself "Henry IX., by the grace of God, if not by the will of men, king of Great Britian and Ireland," was only a deacon, and he was invested with the hat at the age of 22. History records the creation of one cardinal at the age of 12 years.

should the lift ballots, tash, a recess is taken and the ballots, together with wet straw, are burned. The multitudes with-out know by this sign that no election has taken place. Every precaution is tak-en to prevent electioneeing from within or without.

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Once a result has been reached, the dean of the cardinals announces the fact to the pope-elect, and inquires if he will accept the office. If he does, the new pope gives himself a name, and then the canoples are all lowered save his, for the princes of the church, who were all equals, now unite in acknowledging the supreme authority of the new ruler of the church.

Spain, France and Austria claim the right to vote an election, and this power has been twice exercised in the nineteenth century, and was attempted a third time, when Plo Nono was elected, but the notification reached Rome to late. The church denies that it is from any other motive than prudence that veto is permitted. The newly elected pope is robed in the white pentifical vestments, and after pronouncing his blessing, "urbi et orbi," prepares for the imposing cerembnial of the coronation.

Who Will Be Leo's Successor? Who will be Leo's successor? This is question the discussion of which etiquette forbids to churchmen, and which every one hopes may not require an answer for many years to come. Still, it is one in which the whole world is interested, and upon which, therefore, some theorizing may be permitted. In view of the loss of the temporal power of the church there is no political necessity for choosing an Italian cardinal, and the growth of the church in America might surgest Satolli, who was

in America might suggest Satolli, who was
the first papal delegate to the American
people, or Cardinal Gibbons, the primate
of the American church.

One of the most important dignitaries of
the church is the vicar-general of Rome,
who happens to be Cardinal Lucido Mary
Parocell a progressive man and one Parocchi, a progressive man, and one of Pope Leo's most trusted counselors. The secretary of state, Cardinal Rampolla, is one of the strongest possible candidates.

ping him three times on the head with a silver mallet, calling him by name each time, and then, if the pope be really dead, he must notify the college to that effect, and during the interregnum he assumes the more important functions of the pontifical office. In this he is assisted by the "heads of orders," the senior cardinals of the three grades of bishop, priest and deacon.

For many years it has been the custom to hold the election within ten days after the decease of the sovereign pontiff, but on the death of Plo Nono, Leo's predecessor, it was thought best to provide that the election might be held at any time, even outside of Rome and without inclosure. This was made necessary by reason of the hostile attitude of the Roman government, and it was further provided that any attempt at interference on the part of the royalists should annul the proceedings. These provisions will hold good at the next election.

The First Designation.

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From the time of Nicholas II., (1059) the laity have been excluded from participation in the election of pope. For the past 500 years the cardinals have elected one of their own number invariably, and there is no probability of a deviation from this stabilished custom at the next election. As now constituted, the College of Cardinals is stabilished custom at the next election. As now constituted, the College of Cardinals is stabilished custom at the next election. As now constituted, the College of Cardinals is stabilished custom at the next election. "To add to my distress, I was compelled

swears that she is familiar with the facts

WASHINGTON'S SECRETARY. Something About Tobias Lear, Who

ca's Great Patriot. When General Washington died on Deember 14, 1799, his private secretary, Tobias Lear, sat down and wrote a full account of the melancholy event. His account is a most important document to biographers, but it has rarely, if ever, been published in full and the manuscript

Witnessed the Death of Ameri-

Election in Sistine Chapel.

The election is held in the Sistine chapel.

When the cardinals are unanimous in their choice and no ballots are taken, the new pope is said to have been chosen by "acclamation." "Compromise" and "scrutiny are the other methods, and it is probably by the last named that Leo's successor will be chosen. All the cardinals who can possibly attend assemble at the vatican, where a wing is reserved for their use, bringing with them a single chaplain each and two attendants.

In 1878, including cooks and minor servants, 250 people were locked in at the conclave. After a mass celebrated by the dean, at which all the princes of the church communicate, the cardinals prepare their ballots, folding them carefully, seal them, and then holding them over the chalice make oath in a loud voice that they are voting for him they believe most suitable. Three "scrutinizers" examine the ballots and the individual receiving two-thirds of the franchises of the members present is elected.

Should the first ballots, together with wet twice was been supposed lost.

Toblas Lear was born at Portsmouth, N. H., September 10, 1762, and died at Washington. D. C., October II, 1818. He was graduated from Harvard in 1783, and in 1785 became private secretary to General 1896 consul general at Santo Domingo, and in 1896 consul general at Santo Domingo, and in 1896 consul general at Algiers. In 1865 he negotiated a treaty of peace with Tripoli. Colonel Lear's manuscript, above referred it in the possession of a descendant of the writer, and prints it entirely. Colonel Lear describes Washington's last moments as follows:

About 10 o'clock he made several attempts to speak before he could effect it. Alout 10 o'clock he made several attempts to speak before he could effect it. Alout 10 o'clock he made several attempts to speak before he could not speak. He length he said: "I am just going: have me decently buried, and do not let my be a speak before he could not speak. He length he said: "I am gual of it is the possession of has been supposed lost.

About ten minutes before he expired (which was between 10 and 11 o' clock), his breathing became easier; he lay quietly; he withdrew his hand from mine, and felt his own pulse. I saw his countenance change I spoke to Dr. Cralk, who sat by the fire He came to the bedside. The general's hand fell from the wrist. I took it in mine and put it in my bosom. Dr. Craik put



TOBIAS LEAR, WASHINGTON'S SEC-RETARY.

his hand over his eyes. And he expired his hand over his eyes. And he expired without a struggle or a sigh.

While we were fixed in silent grief Mrs. Washington (who was sitting at the foot of the bed) asked with a firm and collected voice, "Is he gone?"
I could not speak, but held up my hand as a signal that he was no more.

"Tis well," said she in the same voice; "all is now over, and I shall soon follow him. I have no more trials to pass through."

Lincoln and the Preacher.

Prope Leo's most trusted counselors. The secretary of state, Cardinal Rampolla, is one of the strongest possible candidates,

Appropriate Use of Lace.

There is a discretion in the selection and use of laces wherein one may show refined taste and good judgment. Certain kinds are befitting certain occasions, certain fabrics, certain seasons, and certain uses. There are laces for morning and evening, for indoor and outdoor costumes, for wraps and bonnets, for lingerie, silks, and velvets, for youth, maturity and age. Transparent, filmy laces or heavy ones are to be used according as full or flat decoration is desired. For some purposes machine lace is to be preferred to the hand-wrought article. To consider it more durable, how-

VARIETY OF THE TYPEWRITERS

New Languages Constantly Being Conquered by an American Invention.

From the New York Sun.

The typewriter is one American product which has never suffered a foreign boycott. The click of the American typewriter is heard around the world. The tourist finds it turning up in all sorts of out-of-the-way corners, from Iceland to Van Dieman's Land. With the Dongola and Ashanti expeditions it has penetrated into the heart of the African wilderness: with Lieutenant of the African wilderness: with Lieutenant is there naught within the grasp of poetic preheast
VARIETY OF THE TYPEWRITERS

POET AND NEXT PRESIDENT, was widower three years. She somehow wanted to be boss, and I wanted to be boss, too. She told me she was going to leave me and I decided to leave her first. Got a letter from her the other day, though, and I believe we will get together again. I have three grown sons. One named Cicero, is a Methodist preacher in Texas. The others are with their mother. They were by my first wife, who died.

"I am going to challenge Bryan, too, and will open up my campaign in Arkansas on April 2, when I will be 50 years old. I may also speak in Macon. I will have a brass band to accompany me in all my tours. I may In the house of representatives last week | From the New York Sun. troduced a bill for the relief of Max Mull- which has never suffered a foreign boycott.

peditions it has penetrated into the heart of the African wilderness; with Lleutenant Peary it found its way to the Arctic regions; the Russian government has sent it all through Siberia; it is to be found in the exar of Russia has a richly or dependent of the homes of the missionaries in India the homes of the missionaries in India the homes of the missionaries in India the homes of the wire of the platfact white enameled the wire of the typewriter side to the wire of the typewriter would be found in the captain's cabin. The universal use of the typewriter would be found in the captain's cabin. The universal use of the typewriter is due to its easy adaptation to almost any language capable of being printed. Typewriters have been made to write Greek, German, Hebrew, Slamest, Telegu and Russian Enameled the platfact of the wirth dead keys, which do not move the cylinder carrying the paper. The dead key device has recently been ingeniously applied in solving a difficult problem in typewriter construction. An English missionary in India, Dr. Jacob Chamberlain at Madanapalle, Madras Presidency, wishing to translate the Scriptures for the natives, wrote to any American typewriter company asking if a typewriter solving the platfact of the the platfact of the the platfact of the p

ment of typewriter construction. Business houses doing a large foreign business with several countries asked for machines writseveral countries asked for machines writing several languages. By providing for the accents of the various European languages on one keyboard half a dozen or more languages may be written on one machine. Many typewriters with English-Spanish-French keyboards are shipped to South American countries. The most interesting polyglot machine in the world is one just sent to Pope Leo XIII, for use in the Vatican. Like the one furnished the carr, it is decorated with gold, ivory and enamel. The machine writes English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese and German.

Criticized. The habits of people in signing letters are receiving some attention, and interesting conclusions are drawn from a study of the

different ways writers subscribe them-selves. The curt "Yours" and "Yours truly" are found not only in business let-

sclves. The curt "Yours" and "Yours truly" are found not only in business letters, but in personal notes as well, for there are plenty of correspondents who don't believe in gush, and who think that "Yours truly" for "sincerely" means about all they wish to convey. Opposed to these sensible and essentially practical persons is that class of writers made up usually of young and enthusiastic individuals, as a rule of the gentle sex, who throw words about as carclessly on paper as they do in conversation. The use of the word love by such people is a distressing sign of emotional weakness, of carclessness, or of insincerity, and possibly arises from the same impulse that prompts women to kiss each other indiscriminately. One Boston girl, who is quoted by the Journal, has taken her own stand in the matter, and at the risk of being considered "cold" and "thoroughly Boston" she sticks to it. In her childhood she was taught to sign "affectionately yours" to her far-away grand-aunts and second cousins, some of whom she had never seen, but all of whom she tried to like, because of the claims of kindred, and the word "affectionately" came to mean to her nothing at all except polite and necessary fiction. So she signs "affectionately" to people she is supposed to be conventionally fond of, and when she says anything more she means it. She thoroughly approves of, "Cordially yours," and this, by the way, is seen more and more frequently now in notes between acquaintances who are on distinctly friendly or cordial terms. After all, "Your friend, when it can be used truthfully, is a simple and satisfactory way of ending friendly letters. Some people have the habit of not prefacing their names with any set form of words at the end of letters. They stop when they get through, and write their signatures without any frills.

HOW MR. GAGE PROPOSED.

Romance in the Life of the Head of

the Treasury Department in Which

the Telegraph Played a Part.

Secretary Lyman J. Gage has always been

a business man. He was business-like ever

a business man. He was business-like even when he fell in love. And his proposal was, according to the New York Press, a clean-cut transaction by wire.

Mrs. Gage was a Denver widow. Her first husband was named Gage also, but he had considerately taken himself out of the way before the date of this story. Gage met and admired her. but unaccountably failed to close the deal on his first visit to Denver. As he might have known, there were others. Mr. Gage, in Chicago, heard of this and became nervous. He couldn't get many holidays, being tied to a bank desk. In this predicament he heard of another who had actually proposed to Mrs. Gage and was awalting an answer.

Then Lyman J. Gage sped to a telegraph office and penned this remarkable message—ten words, you will observe, besides address and signature:

"Mrs. Gage, Denver, Col.—Don't do anything until you see me. By first train.

"GAGE."

Then Gage made a strong set for leave,

Then Gage made a strong set for leave, and tore across the country by first train.

And when he reached Denver there was a hot time in the old town, and the other man was a bad case of "also ran."

It was a quiet wedding and, like the story book folks, they lived happily ever afterward.

"Hit nevuh pays," said Uncle Eben, "foh er man ter lose "is temper. But dar is 'casions when he do seem jestified in deliberately gettin' rid o' his good nature."—Washington Star.

USE OF YOURS TRULY. Habit of Too Frequent Use of Cordial Terms in Letter Writing

His Wife His Inspiration. "What prompted the dissertation?" was

earth.
Many things a poet can do.
But what I say about a woman is certainly true.
Everything was grand that our Savior did do,
Everything was the grandest work He ever had in

When God made the woman to be with the man, This got down in the very deepest of His plan. Of ail His work the woman was one, And the noblest work that God ever done. Of ail His work she was the most complete When He brought her to Adam to be his helpmete.

humbly fall. numbly rail.
When woman for man was sought out,
She was the prettiest thing that ever was, or somewhere there about.
There is one thing I want the people to know—
I certainly have respect for ladies wherever I go.

woman again.

Never has been said for a lady more than what she
was due.

I know I can't, neither can any of you.

The woman for the man was the greatest thing

"My wife, sir, my wife. I have been a

Is there naught within the grasp of poetic prehensi-bility
Save the sole solace of a soul saved by ability?
Cannot Ambition seek to rise by slow, sure-footed rhyme,
And may not a Shakespeare become a president in time?

—Peter Callender.

Here is a new Arkansas traveler. His name is D. F. Jeffus. Attired in an old, homespun jeans suit, with slouch hat and brogan shoes, he walked into the Constitution office yesterday morning, with the somewhat surprising announcement that he intended to be the next president of the United States. He halls from Camden, Ark



July the 4th, 1816, was my mother's birth, And she was given a son to be the leading poet of the

If you ain't on this line with me
We are so far apart we'll never agree.
Woman was made for a man's dear wife,
And then ha'ft to be a siave the rest of her life,
Woman's value cannot be priced;
Why? Because they represent the church of Christ. God bless our ladies, one and all.

May this prayer be in my heart when at the cross

There is some things about a woman I cannot explain, But I never want to hear anyone speak aught of a

When the Lord wanted to finish His noble plan, This was all done in the make of woman. This is the truth without a doubt. Woman the greatest thing ever wrought out. When our Savior saw everything in view.

There was nothing that was made so complete
As what the Lord made for man's helpmete.
Thanks be to the Lord, that He saw in His noble plan
That woman He would make for the sake of the man.
—Composed by D. F. Jeffus, the Arkansas Poet.

president."
"What job will you give me?" asked the

"What job will you give me?" asked the reporter.

"Are you an educated man?"

"So, so," was the non-committal reply.

"Well, then, you may be either secretary of state, or minister to China. I will give you a good salary to do either job, and you know neither requires work. You can do just as you please. I won't forget you, either. Come to the White House the day of the coronation, and I will be there to greet you. Bring your family and I will give them jobs. too."

After being assured his announcement for president would be published without cost, the Arkansas poet bade farewell, and disappeared in the elevator. He will remain in town a few days, and will then leave to open his campaign in his native state.

FORESTRY SCHOOLS WANTED. America Should Treat Her Primeval Woods Purely as Crops, Says a Montana Paper.

rom the Helena (Mont.) Independent. There is no forestry school in the United States. A few colleges have departments of forestry, but no practical work is being lone. Here in Montana we have the fcrest close to the school, where many practical essons may be given the student. A sentiment will thus be cultivated for the noble monarchs that have looked down on many generations of white and red men. We may soon learn to love the forest, and treasure it as does every other civilized country in the world.

From Australia to Russia we find admirable care taken of the forest. Everywhere we find it treated as a crop; so treated that each cutting improves the forest conditions. In our noble land we cut but once, and the resulting west land.

we find it treated as a crop; so treated that each cutting improves the forest conditions. In our noble land we cut but once, and the resulting waste land is a constant menace to our waterflow conditions. In our noble land we cut but once, and the resulting waste land is a constant menace to our waterflow conditions. We must have timber for our mines thirty years from now, and should get it in our own state, but under the present problem our own state, will be the same and and and the forest for will be ever me out in the some our own state, will be the same and and and the forest for our supply. Any luntermum in the state will be cur in that time, and the present present demands of squares moust like will be summed and and the forest for our supply. Any luntermum in the state will be cur in the summed the summed the su

clerk's office at Romney, Hampshire county, W. Va., fifteen miles from Cumberland, Md. The papers may be seen at any time, duly recorded, and are in effect as

"Whereas my wife hath some time ago left me and intermarried with J. K., I do hereby certify that I do fully acquit and discharge the said J. K. from all trouble or damages, and I do consent that they dwell together as husband and wife for the future without any interruption from

me.
"Given under my hand and seal the 6th day of February, 1757.
"JOSEPHUS COLSTON."
The story leading up to the filing of the above divorce proceedings teems with ro-

above divorce proceedings teems with romance.

In 1757 Colston, with a party of young planters, left the South Branch valley of the Potomac river and went as far West as the Ohio river, with two objects in view. One was to secure a consignment of furs to take down the Potomac by boat to Alexandria, Va., and the other to examine the valleys west of the Alleghenies with a view of taking settlers there for settlement. While thus engaged the party was captured by the Indians and all were killed except young Colston, who was saved on account of his light hair and blue eyes. He was made a captive for seven years, but finally managed to escape, and worked his way home, to find that his wife, having given him up for dead, had married again. Then it was he consulted a lawyer, who drew up the divorce and had it recorded.

Colston did not visit his wife, but re-

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Colston did not visit his wife, but returned to the Indians from whom he had escaped, and two years later married the daughter of a Pottawatomie chieftain. As a result of the marriage, it is said, sprang the great Simon Pokagon, who had spent his life or a greater part of it in a fruitless effort to secure from the government pay for the land on which the city of Chicago now stands.

GEORGE MEREDITH AT 70.



FROM THE PAINTING BY G. F. WATTS.

George Meredith recently completed his 70th year, and on his birthday he received the following letter, signed by thirty men and women of literary fame:

"To George Meredith:—Some comrades in 10th letters, who have long valued your work, letters, who have long valued the first rank birthday. You have attained the first rank in literature after many years of inadequate recognition. From first to last you have been true to yourself, and have al-

THE SENSE OF HUMOR.

it Was One of the Late Frances Willard's Great Charms-Always

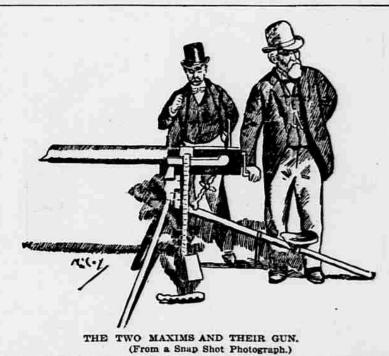
Saw the Good in Her Friends. A sure, keen sense of humor was by no neans the least of the late Miss Frances E. Willard's many good and great gifts. It was largely instrumental in her success as an organizer and leader. Many a trying moment or possible tension has she lightened and brightened by a good story or some appropriate or timely incident. She was always ready to join in a laugh, and often she laughed at herself, but she was never known to laugh at others. Her bewas always ready to join in a laugh, and often she laughed at herself, but she was never known to laugh at others. Her belief in those who worked with her was her inspiration. Like Pliny, she always saw the good in her comrades; it seemed as though she could not see the bad. If her glasses were now and then rose-colored, she refused to think so, and, no matter how much blame she might receive for that, went on her way with a serene spirit, believing that she had merely anticipated, and that "folks" would some day be as she thought them. "Folks" was a favorite word of Mies Willard's. Her kindliness extended to the smallest detail. She was ever gracious to the autograph flends, by whom in late years she was much sought. Her Catskill home at Twilight park was their haunt all summer long, but, no matter how busy or weary she was, the importunates usually got what they wanted. One morning, while Lady Henry Somerset and Miss Willard were engaged in entertaining vistors at the cottage a man presented him-

GUN WORKS BY THE "KICK."

WHEN ONCE THE MAXIM IS START-ED IT GOES ITSELF.

Ten Shots Every Second-Used Mainly as a Field Gun-Can Fire Six

Hundred and Sixty-six Shots Without Reloading.



self with no other excuse than the autograph book under his arm, but with the utmost courtesy Miss Willard dropped everything, inscribed her name as desired, persuaded Lady Somerset to do the same, and then, instead of sending the book out by the maid, took it herself to the stranger. Miss Willard's belief in love and in the power of love was boundless. When asked for a motto for a girls' club some years ago she gave the following: "Nothing is inexorable but love."

THIS MAY BE TRUE.

But Let Us Hope That There Are Not Many Such Women
Among Us.

From the Philadelphia Times.
There is nothing like a woman at an auction, excepting another woman. This was most strikingly verified a day or two ago. The auctioneer put up a silver plated baking dish.

"Now, look at that, ladies. Just scan it carefully. There isn't a jeweler in this town that ever sold a duplicate of it for less than \$12, and if you were to buy them by the gross from the manufacturer they would cost \$8 each; bid spry, now."

"Two dollars," said a meek woman, who was new in the business. You could tell that by her timidity.

"Two dollars, Two I'm bid. Who says a half? Thank you. Do I hear three? There it go at that. Make it three and a half."

"Three I'm bid." said the auctioneer. "I can't let it go at that. Make it three and a half."

"Three and a half." It's a shame to stand here asking for bids on a piece of ware like this. Give a bid of \$4. I can't sleep to night if I sell this lessen \$5."

The timid woman seld, in her subdued way, "Three and a half."

"Three and a half." It's a shame to stand here asking for bids on a piece of ware like this. Give a bid of \$4. I can't sleep to night if I sell this lessen \$5."

The timid woman felt in deep sympathy for the poor auctioneer, and she showed it in a practical way by bidding \$4.

"Four dollars I hear. Four dollars for this magnificent silver baker. If you don't want it you can leave it. It's worth a \$10 bill anywhere. Four dollars. Make it \$4.50."

This remark was made in a pleading way to the timid woman, and she kindly bid

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There Are Only Two Eligible Backelors in the Upper House of Congress.

There are only two bachelors at present in the senate. Boies Penrose is, perhaps, more eligible, matrimonially, than any man in official life just now. Although not the wealthiest bachelor in congress, he pos-sesses a more than comfortable fortune and just such social and personal characteristics as the most ambitious American girl istics as the most ambitious American girl might ask for. He is only 38 years of age, over 6 feet tall, very handsome, college bred, a shrewd lawyer and politician and a social favorite among friends of his own sex. He was graduated from Harvard at the very head of his class. He has a long, thoughtful face, a high and broad forehead and a mustache which curls down at the sides of his mouth. In fair weather he is a conspicuous figure in the environs which he frequents astride his saddle horse, a fine specimen of equine beauty. He is a scion of the oldest and most aristocratic Philadelphia families, being related to the Biddles of blue blood and the Drexels of wealth.

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The other eligible bachelor of the senate is Lee Mantle, of Montana. With relation to the presidency, he is in the same difficulty as Secretary Wilson, having been born in England. Senator Mantle came to this country in 1862, when but 11 years old. He is in all respects a self-made man, having served his time as farm boy, telegrapher, express agent, editor and politician. He is a millionaire, and besides his wealth has many personal charms to guarantee double blessedness.

Physician and Oriental Woman.

When necessary to consult a physician, the eunuch always introduces this functionary to the patient, and then either remains in the sick room or just without the open portals while the visit lasts, and the woman is invariably veiled during the consultation. On one occasion the physicians of the property of the proper

mains in the sick room or just without the open portals while the visit insts, and the woman is invariably veiled during the consultation. On one occasion the physician requested me to disrobe, and I had difficulty in excluding the examination which the physician found imperative. When the examination was ended the eunuch returned to my room and discussed the case with the physician seemed to gravely consider.

Owing to the customs of the Orient, the precautions observed in the harem are nadmirable for preserving the reputation of the ladies from the scandal which envious tongues might circulate, especially should the patient be pretty, young, and vivacious—even the princess submitted to this rigid rule of the enunch's presence with a grace that quite won me; none of her female attendants were ever permitted to be present when her physician visited her; protected by the customs of the harem, the breath of slander dared not assall one whom the word of a cunuch could and would declare to have been subject to his vigilance while consulting her medical adviser; the testimony of a cunuch being unimpeachable in any case reflecting upon the harem.

Necessary Provision.

From the Detroit Free Press.

Speaking of his rival, she sald: "Every one tells me that he is long-headed."

"Of course he is. Nature knows her business. A narrow mind requires a long head."

take the place of other machine guns in the secondary batteries of men-of-war. Some secondary batteries of men-of-war. Some European men-of-war do carry them now.

One great beauty of a Maxim gun is that a man can set it a-going and climb a tree or take his luncheon, and it still keeps firing away. It is "sort of" uncanny to see a gun once set in motion load and fire of its own volition until it runs out of ammunition. But the Maxim does it, and does not get heated, either, though it can fire off 800 shots a minute, and has fired 5,000 shots consecutively and not been disabled.

The "Kiell" Dear the Work.

The "Kick" Does the Work. The principle of the gun is the utilization

tumbler, sears and firing pin, similar to those used in the old-fashioned pistol. Then there is a lever, which, when the gun is fired, is put in action by the recoil. This lever is the "little joker" that sets the whole thing going again. The mechanism of the breech is set in motion, the empty shell is extracted, a new cartridge inserted, the breech closed and the firing pin goes to its work. This is kept up as long as the supply of cartridges lasts.

to the timid woman, and she kindly bid \$4.50.

"Four-and-a-half. If I get another bid I'll sell the article. Make it \$5 and we're done. Do I hear \$5?"
He did and the bid was from the timid woman, who was generously bidding against herself all the time.

"Sold." said the auctioneer, "to the woman near me for \$5."
She had run the baker up on herself, but she will know more the next time she goes.

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"Surface and surface are strung on belts, each belt carrying 333 cartridges. Two belts can be joined together, so that a gun, without a human being touching it, will pump lead into an "oppressor" 655 times before it has to be fed again.

The recoil of the gun is only three-quarters of an inch, yet it does all this work, including keeping the water jacket supplied with cool water. And this mechanism works so rapidly that it fires a cartridge, throws out the empty shell and puts in a fresh cartridge in one-tenth of a second.

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Maxim guns are manufactured both in England and in this country.

WOMAN M. D. OF CHINA.

Ida Kahn, Graduate of University of Michigan, Is the First Native Woman to Become Doctor.

The first native woman in China to hang out her shingle with an M. D. upon it is Ida Kahn, who recently graduated from Ann Arbor university. She came to this county about six years ago to study medicine and now she has returned to her native town.

Kin Kiang on the Yangtse river.

Her countrymen doubtless consider her a new woman of the most adanced type, and at first she will probably have more time on her hands than patients on her list.

ist. Ida Kahn, M. D., is imbued with the mis-

